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# Dublin Operatic Society

(FOUNDED 1928)



AUTUMN SEASON 1952

Commencing

Monday, 27th October

Concluding

Saturday, 1st November

### THE BARBER OF SEVILLE

Rossini

# **FAUST**

Gounod

Operas will commence at 7.45 p.m. each evening.

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MARITANA

Wallace

= Programme and Story of Opera=

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Subscriptions to be sent to:

J. E. Collins,

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### THE STORY OF THE OPERA

### -FAUST

Opera in Four Acts, by Charles Gounod (1818-1893). Libretto by Barbier and Carré, based on Goethe's drama. First produced, Lyric Theatre, Paris, November 26th, 1859.

### Principal Characters.

Faust, a learned doctor (Tenor)
Mephistopheles, Satan (Bass)
Marguerite (Soprano)
Valentine, her brother, a soldier (Baritone)
Siebel, a young man in love with
Marguerite (Contralto)

Place-Germany.

Time-16th Century

#### ORCHESTRAL INTRODUCTION

ACT I, Scene I—Faust's Study—The aged philosopher, vainly seeking the riddle of life, is arrested from taking poison by the song of young people passing by his window. Longing for youth, he calls upon Satan. Mephistopheles appears, shows him Marguerite. Faust signs away his soul for Marguerite and is restored to youth.

Scene II—The Town Square. The Kermesse (Fair).—Valentine, about to depart to war, entrusts Marguerite to Siebel. Mephistopheles reads Siebel's hand, referring sneeringly to Marguerite. The sword of the angered Valentine, about to strike Mephistopheles, is rendered useless. Valentine and his friends avert the evil spell by presenting their cross-shaped sword hilts at Satan. The crowd then dance the famous waltz, which is interrupted to allow Faust to present himself to Marguerite on her way from Church.

ACT II—Marguerite's Garden.—Siebel leaves a bouquet for Marguerite. Faust, alone, apostrophises Marguerite's dwelling. Mephistopheles leaves a casket of jewels for Marguerite. The latter, spinning and singing, thinks of the handsome stranger who spoke to her just now. Discovering the casket, Marguerite bedecks herself. Faust enters: Mephistopheles engages Martha, Marguerite's neighbour. The jewels, the night, the spell, work. In a declaration of love Faust and Marguerite part. Mephistopheles sends Faust back, knowing that Marguerite will appear at her window. She asks the stars to send her back her lover. Faust answers.

ACT III—Outside the Church.—Siebel declares his enduring love for Marguerite. She, betrayed and deserted, still believes in Faust. Attempting to pray, she kneels outside the church, her voice mingling with those of the worshippers within. The invisible Mephistopheles reminds her of her guilt. She faints. Neighbours assist her home.

The soldiers, led by their band, return from the war. Valentine hears the sad story. Mephistopheles sings a mocking song outside Marguerite's house. Valentine comes out and is mortally wounded by Faust in the ensuing duel. The dying Valentine curses Marguerite.

ACT IV—The Prison.—Marguerite is condemned to death for slaying her child in sudden madness. Seeming at first to yield, she refuses to go with Faust when she recognises Mephistopheles. She prays to Heaven for protection, and dies. Ethereal voices sing of Marguerite's redemption. Faust is dragged away by Mephistopheles.

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## THE DUBLIN

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Commencing Monday, 27th October.

Tuesday, 28th, and Friday, 31st October, 1952.

At 7.45 p.m.

# **FAUST**

(Gounod)

| Faust       |     |      | <br>  | Andrew Macpherson |
|-------------|-----|------|-------|-------------------|
| Mephistophe | les |      | <br>  | Martin Lawrence   |
| Valentine   |     |      | <br>J | Austin Gaffney    |
| Wagner      |     |      | <br>  | Brendan Kavanagh  |
| Marguerite  |     | .14( | <br>  | Marion Lowe       |
| Siebel      |     |      | <br>· | Chrystal Jackson  |
| Martha      |     |      | <br>  | Maura Lane        |

Conductor: Commdt. J. P. Brennock

Producer: J. J. Henry

# PARASEPTIC PASTILLES ARE

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DED 1928)

Concluding Saturday, 1st November.

### SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY

ACT 1: FAUST'S STUDY

ACT 2: MARKET SQUARE

ACT 3: MARGUERITE'S GARDEN

ACT 4 Scene I: OUTSIDE THE CHURCH Scene 2, INSIDE THE CHURCH

Scene 3, OUTSIDE VALENTINE'S HOUSE

ACT 5: A PRISON

Conductor: Commdt. J. P. Brennock; Lieut. F. O'Callaghan

Producers: J. J. Henry, Eily Murnaghan

Leader of Orchestra : Zola Cirulli

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### Choreography:

Eileen Kane and Desmond Domican by courtesy of Dublin Ballet Productions

#### DANCERS :

### "FAUST"-

Eileen Aungier Joan Sheridan Alice Kearns Eve Bermingham Robin Dwan Thomas Wilson Teav Weston Vincent Courtney

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